

47988

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : PATENT
:
Harald Mees et al. :
:
Serial No.: : Art Unit:
:
Filed: Herewith : Examiner:
:
For: FILTER ELEMENT AND METHOD :
FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF :

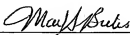
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609, Applicant requests that the patents (copies of non-U.S. patents enclosed), listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A and cited in the attached International Search Report and/or the application be made of record in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,


Mark S. Bicks
Reg. No. 28,770

Roylance, Abrams, Berdo & Goodman, L.L.P.
1300 19th Street, N.W., Suite 600
Washington, D.C. 20036
(202) 659-9076

Dated: Jan 31, 2005

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/522682
--------------------	-----------

Filing Date	Herewith
-------------	----------

First Named Inventor	Harald Mees
----------------------	-------------

Art Unit	1797
----------	------

Examiner Name	John Kim
---------------	----------

Attorney Docket Number	47988
------------------------	-------

Sheet		of
-------	--	----

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

[illegible]

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document Country Code* Number * Kind Code* (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	†*
/JK/		DE 81 21 211.9	01-05-1983	und Wohnsitz des Inhabers		
/JK/		DE 43 12 705 A1	10-27-1994	Hydac Filtertechnik GmbH		
/JK/		WO 01/21279 A1	03-29-2001	Pall Corporation		

Examiner Signature	/John Kim/	Date Considered	02/18/2006
-----------------------	------------	--------------------	------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 809. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. *Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). *See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. *Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard 5.3). *For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. *Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. *Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. **DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.**

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.